Obey ANNOUNCES advancement of \$1,000,000 for BURNETT COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT

NEW COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE TO enhance public saftey

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Seventh District Congressmen Dave Obey (D-WI) announced today that the U.S. House Commerce, Justice and Science Appropriations Subcommittee approved \$1 million to replace Burnett County's public safety communications infrastructure. Obey is Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and worked to secure the funding.

"Clear communications between our emergency responders can mean the difference between life and death," said Obey. "This funding will help Burnett County emergency responders do their job safely and effectively."

Currently, Burnett County's public safety communications infrastructure is unreliable and outdated, and portable radio coverage is often nonexistent.

Obey noted that, "the bill must still be approved by the full House and Senate and signed by the President before it becomes law

, but having these funds included in today's version means that a major hurdle has been cleared."

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